# **Snack Tips**

# Children need snacks:

- To stay healthy
- To prevent hunger
- For good growth

# You should plan snacks:

- Low in salt
- Low in fat
- Low in sugar

# **More Tips**

- Offer snacks up to three times a day.
- Offer fresh or canned fruits instead of "sweets."
- Brush teeth or rinse with water after snacking.



# **Fruit Salsa with** Cinnamon **Tortilla Chips**

Makes 2 ½ cups of salsa and 80 chips

# **Fruit Salsa**

- 1 cup chopped fresh
- 1 medium orange, peeled & chopped
- 3 kiwi fruit, peeled and
- 1 can (8oz) crushed
- 1 Tbs lemon juice
- 1½ tsp sugar
- In a bowl, combine all ingredients.
- Cover and refrigerate until served.
- 1. Let kids use a plastic knife to cut up the fruit.
- 2. Kids love to pour and mix ingredients.
- 3. Be sure they help with clean up.



# **Cinnamon Chips**

- 10 whole wheat tortillas
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- Butter flavored cooking
- Pre-heat oven to 350°F
- Lightly spray tortillas with cooking spray.
- Cut each tortilla into eight
- cinnamon and sprinkle over
- Place them on an ungreased baking sheet.
- Bake for 5-10 minutes or





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# SNACKS for super kids



# Offer a variety of:



Remember: Portion size for kids: ages 1-3 up to 1/4 cup and ages 4-5 up to 1/2 cup Offer snacks up to three times a day.

# **Textures**

# **Soft and Creamy:**

- · low-fat yogurt
- low-fat cottage cheese

# **Crispy and Crunchy:**

- · apple slices
- · dry cereal
- graham crackers

# Juicy:

- peach
- tomato
- orange

# Liquids:

- 1% or fat free milk
- soup
- water

- · vegetable juice

# **Shapes**

#### Sticks:

- carrot
- celery
- cucumber (unpeeled)

#### **Cubes:**

- low-fat cheese
- melon

#### Rings:

pineapple

# Wedges:

- citrus
- hard boiled egg

# Slices:

- cucumber
- tomato



# **Temperatures**

#### Warm:

- cocoa
- soup
- · grilled cheese sandwich

# **Room Temperature:**



canned fruits packed in juice

# Cold:

- 1% or fat free milk
- vegetables
- low-fat cottage cheese

#### Frozen:

- pudding
- low-fat yogurt
- · homemade 100% juice popsicles



# **Orange:**

- tangerines
- cantaloupe
- mango
- · carrots

#### Green:

- kiwi
- honeydew
- celery

#### White:

- bananas
- 1% or fat free milk

#### Red:

- watermelon
- strawberries
- red bell pepper

#### Yellow:

- canned pears packed in juice
- pineapple

# **Blue/Purple:**

- blueberries
- blackberries
- grapes

# Caution! Children under age 2 may choke on:

#### **Round Foods:**

- sliced hotdogs
- hard candies
- grapes
- raisins

# **Raw Vegetables:**

- carrots
- broccoli
- cauliflower
- celery

# **Hard or Sticky** Foods:

- popcorn
- nuts
- gum
- peanut butter
- marshmallows







